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INTERPRETIVE OPINION

Pursuant to §103-50, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), all buildings and facilities constructed by, or on behalf of the State or any county, shall conform to the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) and amendments. In accordance to HRS §103-50 and Chapter 11-217, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Disability and Communication Access Board has authority to issue interpretive opinions to HRS §103-50 design standards.

Docket: **DCAB 2005-05:** ADAAG section 4.1.2(1) indicates an accessible pedestrian route is required within the site boundary to public streets. However, the ADAAG Manual, published by the Access Board, indicates that “if the property is accessed by vehicle only, then a pedestrian route is not required.” Is at least one accessible route complying with 4.3 required within the boundary of the site from public streets to an accessible building entrance, where the site boundaries are not bordered by a pedestrian way (e.g., site entry is by vehicle only)?

Ruling: For buildings or facilities subject to HRS §103-50,

ADAAG 4.1.2(1) Accessible Sites and Exterior Facilities: New Construction.

An accessible route is not required within the boundary of the site from public streets to an accessible entrance, where the site boundaries are not bordered by a pedestrian way and the site entry is by vehicles only. When a vehicular way, or a portion of a vehicular way, is provided for pedestrian travel from the public streets to an accessible building entrance, an accessible route is required within the boundary of the site from public streets to an accessible building entrance.

[Rul: 07/05] (Auth and Imp: HRS §103-50)

If you have any questions or comments regarding this ruling, please call us at 586-8121.

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